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THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional Application under 37 CFR 1.53(b), of pending prior application Serial No. 08/956,571 filed on October 23, 1997 for **End-Functionalized Polymers by Controlled Free-Radical Polymerization Process and Polymers Made Therefrom**.

Applicants claim the benefit of the earlier filing date of the prior application United States Serial No. 08/956,571 filed on October 23, 1997 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 120

Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or declaration as originally filed and a declaration verifying it as a true copy.

The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED IN THE PRIOR APPLICATION LESS ANY CLAIMS CANCELED BY AMENDMENT BELOW				
	No. Filed	No. Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic fee				\$760
Total claims	74 - 20 =	54	x 18 =	\$972
Independent claims	7 - 3 =	4	x 78 =	\$312
			TOTAL	\$2,044

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required during prosecution of this application except issue fee, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 50-1501. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Cancel in this application original claims 1 to 34 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee so that only claims 35 to 108 remain.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line of the sentence: This is a division of parent application Serial No. 08/956,571 filed on October 23, 1997.

Transfer the drawings from the prior application to this application and abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed for filing in the prior application file.

The prior application is assigned of record to The B.F. Goodrich Company, 4020 Kinross Lakes Parkway, Richfield, Ohio 44286.

The power of attorney in the prior application is to Thoburn T. Dunlap, Reg. No. 31,246; The B.F. Goodrich Company, Law Department, 9921 Brecksville Road, Brecksville, Ohio 44141-3289.

- The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.
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A preliminary amendment is enclosed.

I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 08/956,571 as originally filed on October 23, 1997.

The undersigned declares further that all statements made herein of his or her own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: August 30, 2000

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